I.C.P.O. Calendar

09-17 March 2006

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I.C.P.O. Calendar (March 09 - 17, 2006)
Islands, Castles & Portable Operations.
Operations are listed by start date (Day/Month/Year).
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09/03/2006: Rosel/DL3KWR and Hardy/DL3KWF will be active again as CT3/DL3KWR and CT3/DL3KWF from Madeira (IOTA AF-014) from March 9-23th. They plan to operate mostly CW and on the WARC bands. QSL via home calls. E-mail requests for bureau cards can be sent to dl3kwr@darc.de or dl3kwf@darc.de respectively. Their web site is at www.mydarc.de/dl3kwr. [Tnx 425 DXN]

09/03/2006: Special event stantion UE105SBM (Siberia Baikal 105th Meridian) will be active March 9-11th from the IRKUTSK AREA (RDA IR-26 for the Russian districts award, WW Loc. OO21MR), Irkutskaya oblast (IR). QSL via operators' instructions or via the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

10/03/2006: Ron/G4DIY (GP0STH), and Lee/G0DBE will be active from the Isle of Guernsey (IOTA EU-114, WLOTA LH-0013) starting around 1000z March 10th, as GP0STH. Their bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via G4DIY. [Tnx OPDX]

10/03/2006: Look for Davide IE9/IW9GUR, Angelo IE9/IW9HLM and Riccardo IE9/IT9CVO to activate Ustica Island (IOTA EU-051, IIA PA-001, MIA MI-116) from Mar 10-12th. They will be active on 160-6 meters, with 2 or 3 stations operational. This activity will also count for the Isola di Ustica lighthouse (WLOTA LH-0848). QSL all calls via IW9HLM (QRZ.com). [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

10/03/2006: Look for IZ0HLY to be active March 10th from two references for the Italian castles award (DCI). The references are: Torre di Borgaria a Narni (DCI TR-054) and the Castle of Borgaia to Narni (DCI TR-055), Region of Umbria, Province of Terni (TR). QSL via operators' instructions. [Tnx I0SSW]

11/03/2006: Operators Will N7OU (3D2OU) and Rob W7YAQ (3D2NB) will be active from Nadi, Fiji (IOTA OC-016), March 11-13th. Activity will be on 80-10 meters. QSL via home calls, direct or bureau. [Tnx OPDX]

11/03/2006: Wolfgang, DH3ZK/p, plans to activate Hoherodskopf summit (SOTA DL/HE-304, 764M, WW Loc. JO40OM), Hesse region, on March 11th starting around 11:00 UTC. Look for activity on 40 meter SSB and 144 MHz SSB. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

11/03/2006: Harald, DL2HSC/p, will be active March 11th from Steinberg summit (SOTA DL/NS-020, 472M, WW Loc. JO51EV), Lower Saxony region. Look for him on 14.285 MHz SSB, 144 MHz SSB and 145 MHz FM starting around 15:00 UTC. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

11/03/2006: Piero, I1ASU/p, will activate the Tower of Borgio to Borgio Verezzi (DCI reference SV-042 for the Italian castles award), Region of Liguria, Province of Savona (SV), on March 11th starting around 07:30 UTC. QSL via home call, direct with SASE/SAE + postage, or through the bureau. [Tnx I1ASU]

11/03/2006: Salvatore/IK1AWV and Fabry/IK1SUB will be active March 11th as homecall/p from the Torre di Ripalta a Dolcedo [Tower of Ripalta to Dolcedo] (DCI reference IM-119 for the Italian castles award), Region of Liguria, Province of Imperia (IM), WAIS CK-08, WW Loc. JN33XV. Activity will be on 40 and 20 meter SSB, starting around 08:00 UTC. QSL via home calls, bureau prefered. [Tnx F5NQL]

12/03/2006: Tomas, LY1DF, will be active from Jamaica (IOTA NA-097) as 6Y5/LY1DF from March 12-18th. Activity will be on 40-15 meters CW only. QSL via LY1DF, bureau only. [Tnx OPDX]

12/03/2006: Richard, G3CWI/p, will activate Long Mynd - Pole Bank summit (SOTA G/WB-005, 516M WW Loc. IO82NN), Welsh Borders region, on March 12th starting around 11:00 UTC followed by the activations of Stiperstones summit (SOTA G/WB-003, 536M), Welsh Borders region, and Corndon Hill (SOTA GW/MW-013, 513M), Mid Wales region. Look for him on 7.030 MHz CW. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx SOTA U.K.]

13/03/2006: Operators Bob/W4OWY and Mark/W9OP will be active as V25WY and V25OP, respectively, from the island of Antigua (IOTA NA-100, also count for Antigua Island lighthouse WLOTA LH-1118) between March 13-19th. Activity will be on 160-6 meter CW, SSB and RTTY. They will focus on the low bands. QSL via their home callsigns, by the bureau or direct. [Tnx OPDX]

14/03/2006: Ark/UA4CC, Roman/UR0MC, Nodir/EY8MM, Alex/EY8CQ, Artem/EY8BA and possibly several other HAMs will participate in Russian DX Contest [RDXC] (March 18-19th) using the callsign EY0R from Dushanbe, Tajikistan, as a Multi-Op/Single-Transmitter (MOST) entry. They will be active on all bands CW and SSB. QSL via UA4CC (direct or bureau). E-mail QSL-requests also are welcome. During the period of March 14-21 EY8/UA4CC and EY8/UR0MC will be active on all bands, specially looking for WARC and low bands CW/SSB/RTTY. QSL via home calls. [Tnx NG3K]

14/03/2006: Operators Alex/RA9XV, Pavel/RA9XY, Anatoly/UA9XBL and Andrei/UA9XC will activate Kolguev Island (IOTA EU-085, RRA RR-03-05, RDA NO-01) from March 14-20th using the callsign RI1PXC. Activity will be on 80-10 meter CW and SSB. They will also participate in the Russian DX Contest (March 18-19th) using the callsign RI1PI. QSL both calls via UA9XC, direct or bureau. [Tnx RSGB IOTA]

15/03/2006: Operators N1NK (Jim), K3PLV (Craig), K8PT (Pete) and W8JWN (Tom) will be active from the Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, also count for WLOTA LH-0818) signing MJ/homecall from March 15-18th. Bands and modes of activity were not provided. QSL via their home calls. [Tnx OPDX]

15/03/2006: An international team of 4 operators will be down in Benin, Africa, for a period of 2 weeks starting on March 15th and ending March 31st. The callsigns have not been confirmed yet, but operators will be Ron/PA3EWP (TY5WP), Tom/GM4FDM (TY4TW), Claudia/K2LEO (TY5LEO) and Andrea/IK1PMR (TY5MR). They will have 3 stations on the air and will operate on all bands and at least on CW, SSB and RTTY. They will focus mainly on the lower bands (160-40 meters) and also participate in all major contests. Each operator will have a different QSL information. QSL TY5MR via IK1PMR. QSL TY5LEO via IK1PMR. QSL TY4TW via GM4FDM. QSL TY5WP via PA7FM. [Tnx OPDX]

16/03/2006: Fredy, DE0MST, reports that a group of 30 operators will be QRV from Helgoland Island (IOTA EU-127, N-14 for the German islands

award) as DA0HEL (DOK E-20) between March 16-21st. They will also activate the Helgoland lighthouse (GLHA #26, ARLHS FED-101, WLH DL-009, WLOTA LH 0518). Look for activity on the usual IOTA frequencies, SSB, CW and Digital modes. QSL via DA0HEL, bureau prefered. [Tnx DE0MST]

16/03/2006: Jack, K9JE, will be active as J68AR from the island of St. Lucia (IOTA NA-108, WLOTA LH-0718) from March 16-20th. QSL via K9JE. [Tnx NG3K]

17/03/2006: Jose, ON4LAC, will operate as 3B8/ON4LAC from Mauritius Island (IOTA AF-049) from March 17th to May 13th. Activity will be on 80-10 meter SSB, RTTY and PSPK31. He hopes to get the authorization to operate as 3B9/ON4LAC from Rodrigues from 25 April through the end of his stay. QSL via home call. [Tnx 425 DXN]

17/03/2006: Mir/UA3FDX and Pavel/RA3AUM will be QRV from Azerbaijan as 4J0DX and 4J0AUM respectively between March 17th and March 27th. Look for them on 80-10 meter and possibly 160 meter SSB and CW. Activity will include the Russian DX Contest as 4J0DX (March 18-19th) and CQ WPX SSB Contest as 4J0DX (March 25-26th). QSL for both stations via UA3FDX either direct or via the bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

17/03/2006: Zrinko (Zik), VE3ZIK, will once again be active from Bilice (JN73WS at Adriatic Coast) between March 17-28th (approx.) as 9A/VE3ZIK. He will be active in the Russian DX Contest and CQ WW WPX SSB Contest. Outside of the contests, he will be active mostly on the WARC bands and will be waiting for any 10m FM opening on 29.600 MHz. QSL via DL3PS; by the DARC Bureau is OK. Don't send QSL cards to the VE3 Bureau. Also, visit Zik's Web site at: http://www.qslnet.de/ve3zik [Tnx OPDX]

17/03/2006: Operators Jerry Walker (P29ZAD), Norm Beasley (P29NB), Tommy Logan (P29TL) and Peter Holliday (P29KPH) will be active as P29K from Kranket Island (IOTA OC-258) between 00:00 UTC Mar 17th to 00:00 UTC March 20th. Activity will be on 80-6 meter SSB. Look for them on the following frequencies - 3.755, 7.055, 14.260, 18.128, 21.260, 24.950, 28.460 and 50.260 MHz. QSL via LZ1JZ (QRZ.com). Further information can be found at P29K.blogspot.com. [Tnx P29ZAD]

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LOOKING AHEAD -

19/03/2006: Fredy, DE0MST, reports that a group of 30 operators will be QRV from Helgoland Duene Island (IOTA EU-127, N-15 for the German islands award) as DL0IH (DOK E-20) between March 19-21st. They will also activate the Helgoland Duene lighthouse (GLHA #68, ARLHS FED-102 Range Front, ARLHS FED-103 Range Rear, WLOTA LH 0518). Look for activity on the usual IOTA frequencies, SSB, CW and Digital modes. QSL via DL0IH, bureau prefered. [Tnx DE0MST]

22/03/2006: Look for Marcos, EA1APV, to be signing TG7M from Guatemala City, Guatemala, between March 22-26th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

25/03/2006: Juha, OH9MM, will be active from the Aland Islands (IOTA EU-002, WLOTA LH-1373) as OH0Z in the CQ WPX SSB Contest (March 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via W0MM. [Tnx NG3K]

25/03/2006: John, W6LD, will be active from the island of Aruba (IOTA SA-036, WLOTA LH-0033) as P40L during the CQ WW WPX SSB Contest (March 25-26th) as a Single-Op/All-Band entry. QSL via K5WW. [Tnx NG3K]

27/03/2006: Marcos, EA1APV, will be using the callsign TG7M/P from the Tikal Ruins, North Guatemala, on March 27th and 28th. The Mayan ruins of Tikal are the most important ancients of Guatemala. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

01/04/2006: The radio club of Passendale will be active from the castle De Ghellinck (BCA reference OV-032 for the Belgian castles award) at Elsegem from April 1st 10:00 UTC until April 2nd 2006 14:00 UTC (NON STOP). The QRA locator is JO10ST and the castle is situated along the route to Kortrijk in Elsegem. The castle goes back to the 16th century and became the property of the family De Gellinck around 1718. Although the castle was surrounded with water it was not really fortified. As so may castles it was pillaged during the French revolution. In the 19th century there have been many structural alterations. During both World Wars there was a lot of damage. After the Second World War the castle wasn't used any more and in 1973 the whole building burned down. The community of Wortegem Petegem obtained the castle and the park. The remaining buildings are being restored for the moment but financial problems slow down the project. For the event in April 2006 we have obtained the special call ON7G. The club will be active mainly on 80, 40 and 20 meter SSB and also on local 2 meter FM. QSL via ON4MRX, bureau or direct with SAE + 1 IRC or e-QSL. [Tnx F5NQL]

05/04/2006: Look for Marco, EA1APV, to be active as HR5/EA1APV from the Copan Ruins, Honduras, April 5-6th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

07/04/2006: Fernando, EA1BT, will be active on all bands as 5T6BT from Mauritania between April 7-16th. QSL via EA4URE, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

07/04/2006: Marco, EA1APV, plans to activate Roatan Island (IOTA NA-057), Honduras, as HR6/EA1APV between April 7-14th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx HG3K]

15/04/2006: Marcos, EA1APV, will be signing W4/EA1APV from various Florida lighthouses, in the Cayos area, between April 15-20th. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

20/04/2006: Riccardo, IZ1GDB, plans to be active from Kenya as 5Z/IZ1GDB between April 20 and May 1, 2006. He will be operating on 40, 20 and 15 meter SSB only. QSL via home call, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

26/04/2006: Chris, M0DOL, plans to be active as MJ0DOL/p from the Isle of Jersey (IOTA EU-013, WLOTA LH-0818) between April 26th and May 4th. He will try to activate as many castles on the island as he can during this time period for the C.A.S.H.O.T.A. (Castles And Stately Homes On The Air) award. QSL via home call, direct or through the RSGB bureau. [Tnx F5NQL]

29/04/2006: Look for Radio Club DL0RU/LH and Dieter DJ8DS/LH to activate Juist Island (IOTA EU-047, N-03 for the German islands award) and the Memmertfeuer lighthouse (GLHA #69, ARLHS FED-121, WLH DL-012) on April 29th and 30th. Activity will be on 40, 30, 20 and 15 meter SSB and PSK-31. QSL via home calls, direct or through the bureau. [Tnx DE0MST]

05/05/2006: Merv, N6NO, will celebrate 55 years of hamming and his 70th birthday from May 5-13th as VK9LNO from Lord Howe Island (OC-004). Activity will be mostly CW with 100 watts and wire antennas, 10-80

meters. QSL to N6NO. [Tnx NG3K]

27/05/2006: Eric, K9GY, will be active as C6AYM from New Providence [Nassau] (IOTA NA-001, WLOTA LH-1115) for the CQ WW WPX CW Contest (May 27-28th) as a Single-Op/All-Band/Low-Power entry. QSL via K9GY, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

23/06/2006: Nobby, G0VJG, will be active from the island of Antigua (IOTA NA-100, WLOTA LH-1118) as V25V from June 23rd through July 6th. QSL via G4DFI, direct or bureau. [Tnx NG3K]

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The following operation is approved for DXCC credit:

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Operation commenting June 9, 2003

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Bill Moore NC1L
DXCC Branch Manager

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SPECIAL EVENTS -

08/03/2006: To celebrate 20 years DIG Section Switzerland the special callsign HB20DIG (HB two zero DIG) will be aired until June 7, 2006. During this time you can work the W-DIG-HB award, if you work HB20DIG two times. The applications go with log and US5.00 or Euro 5.00 to the following address: DIG Section Switzerland "DIPLOM", Postfach 217, CH-5080 Laufenburg/Switzerland. They will also be QRV on all DIG Contest, Helvetia Contest and the Field Day. If we have time, also QRV on all bands also UHF/VHF 6m and Modes RTTY PSK CW SSB. The Operators are: HB9BOS Heinz, HB9CQL Ruedi and HB9DDZ Nick. This is the first time that the Prefix HB20 (HB twenty) has been on the air!! QSL via operators instructions. [Tnx F5NQL]

01/06/2006: Look for special calls GB4ASS (Air Support Signals) and GB4SNF (Signals National Force) to be aired June 1-7th from Colerne Airfield at 21 Signal Regiment (AS) Training Wing. GB4SNF will also be in operation again throughout July 2006 from another location. Dennis GW4XKE - the organiser of the activity - hopes to have both stations running at the same time at Colerne one being used by Peter G0RGB and the requirement is to have some others operators attending. A special QSL card will be available to all stations worked - the stations have the distinction of RSARS Affiliated numbers. Please QSL via RSARS QSL bureau. For further information contact GW4XKE - johnny-e@ic24.net [Tnx F5NQL]

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73 and Good Hunting!
Dave Raycroft - VA3RJ

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